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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, comprising:
 - a carrier line; and
 - a tool carried by the carrier line for deployment into the wellbore, comprising:
- an element formed of a superplastic material to perform a predetermined downhole task; and
- a heating device to heat the element to a temperature sufficient to cause the element to exhibit superplastic behavior.
- 12-29. (Cancelled)
- 30. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, comprising:
 - an element formed of a superplastic material to perform a predetermined downhole task;
- a component including a seal engagement with the element, wherein the element is adapted to translate the seal into engagement with a downhole structure; and
- a carrier line and a tool carried by the carrier line for deployment into the well, wherein the tool comprises the element formed of the superplastic material and the component including the seal, the tool further comprising a heating device to heat the superplastic material to a temperature such that the element exhibits superplastic behavior.
- 31. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 30, further comprising a piston adapted to cause translation of the element.
- 32. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, comprising:
 - an element formed of a superplastic material to perform a predetermined downhole task;
- a component including a seal engageable with the element, wherein the element is adapted to translate the seal into engagement with a downhole structure; and
- a heating device to heat the superplastic material to a temperature such that the element exhibits superplastic behavior,

wherein the heating device comprises a propellant.

- 33-36. (Cancelled)
- 37. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, comprising:
 - a carrier line: and
 - a tool carried by the carrier line for deployment into the wellbore, comprising:
 - an element formed of a superplastic material to perform a predetermined downhole task,
- wherein the element is selected from the group consisting of a casing, a liner, a tubing, and a pipe; and

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- a heating device to heat the element to a temperature such that the element exhibits superplastic behavior.
- 38. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, comprising:

an element formed of a superplastic material to perform a predetermined downhole task; wherein the element includes a sand screen; and

The apparatus of claim 5, further comprising a heating device to heat the sand screen to a temperature such that the sand screen exhibits superplastic behavior.

- 39. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, comprising:
- an element formed of a superplastic material to perform a predetermined downhole task; and
- a heating device to heat the element to a temperature sufficient to cause the element to exhibit superplastic behavior,

wherein the heating device comprises a propellant.

- 40-41. (Cancelled)
- 42. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, comprising:

an element formed of a superplastic material to perform a predetermined downhole task;

- a junction seal assembly comprising the element; and
- a heating device to heat the element to a temperature sufficient to cause the element to exhibit superplastic behavior,

wherein the heating device comprises a propellant.

- 43. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 42, wherein the element comprises one of a tubing and pipe to be inserted into a lateral wellbore.
- 44-49. (Cancelled)